Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, beginning at line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

~~The present application is a continuation in part of co-pending U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/030,675 filed November 13, 1997.~~ This application is a continuation of pending Application No. 09/650,946, filed August 29, 2000, which is a continuation of prior Application No. 08/968,014, filed November 12, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,110,744, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/030,675, filed November 13, 1996. The entire text of the above-referenced ~~disclosure is~~ applications are specifically incorporated by reference herein without disclaimer.